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FOR ASST. SECRETARY RICHARDSON FROM AMBASSADOR

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SUBJECT: OBSERVATION OF U.S. BICENTENNIAL IN BELGIUM

1. PRIVATE ASSOCIATION BELGO-AMERICAINE AND ITS PRESTIGIOUS PRESIDENT, COUNT RENE BOEL, HAVE ENTHUSIASTICALLY ACCEPTED MY SUGGESTION THAT THEY TAKE LEADERSHIP IN ARRANGING FOR FITTING OBSERVANCE OF BICENTENNIAL IN BELGIUM. AS FOCAL POINT, AMERICAN FESTIVAL TO BE HELD IN BRUSSELS AND OTHER CITIES JUNE 15 - JULY 15, 1976, IS ENVISAGED. FINANCING IS EXPECTED TO BE LARGELY PROVIDED BY BELGIAN GOVERNMENT AND U.S. AND BELGIAN BUSINESS. AVAILABILITY OF AT LEAST TWO FIRST-CLASS U.S. PERFORMING GROUPS FOR ANY PART OF ABOVE PERIOD WILL, HOWEVER, BE ESSENTIAL. THE PREFERRED GROUPS WOULD BE THE NEW YORK CITY BALLET AND THE PHILADELPHIA SYMPHONY.

2. I WOULD BE GRATEFUL FOR YOUR COMMENTS AND FOR ANY INFORMATION YOU CAN OBTAIN ON THE AVAILABILITY OF THESE GROUPS -- OR, IF MUST BE, ADEQUATE SUBSTITUTES -- IN THE PERIOD INDICATED. STRAUSZ-HUPE

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